

CITY OF LAKE FOREST *California*



JULY NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

Village Pond Park Improvement Project Update

United Engineering has completed its clearing activity and began grading for new sidewalks.

Draining of the pond has commenced, pumping 200 gallons of water per minute into the sewer system between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. It is anticipated that the draining of the pond will take approximately one month to complete. United Engineering has notified Aquabio, the City's wildlife consultant, about the draining to ensure Aquabio will monitor lake levels and install temporary aeration equipment, as needed, to ensure safe collection of fish and turtles in the lake. If you are interested in keeping up with the latest developments on the Village Pond Park (VPP) Improvement project, visit www.lakeforestca.gov/VPP, or subscribe to the mailing list.

VPP Mailing List

City Launches New Webpages for Road Construction and City Ordinances

The City has developed two new webpages to help residents stay informed on City construction projects and new laws.

1. Learn about current and upcoming road construction and traffic improvement projects by visiting <http://www.lakeforestca.gov/900/Road-Construction>.
2. Stay up to date on the creation of new City laws and regulations adopted by the City Council by visiting <http://www.lakeforestca.gov/899/New-Laws-and-Regulations>.

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 1

4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Location: Lake Forest Sports Park (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Participate in crime prevention efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit, and let criminals know that neighborhoods are fighting back at the 2017 National Night Out event. Businesses that provide public safety and crime prevention services and have interest in setting up a booth or hosting a game should contact Shannon Daniels at (949) 461-3546.



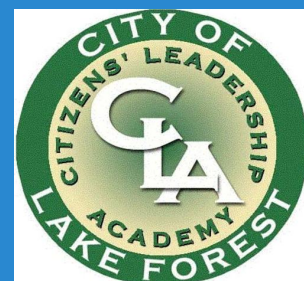
2017 Leadership Academy

September 20 to November 8

6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Wednesday Evenings)

Location: Lake Forest City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.)

Sign up for this fun and informative Leadership Academy! The eight-week academy provides an inside look at local government while developing the next generation of civic leaders and volunteers. The academy is limited to the first 25 registrants over the age of 18. Dinner is included. Register at (949) 461-3422 or jesquivel@lakeforestca.gov.



GET SAFE Child Safety Academy

September 11 - October 2

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (4 consecutive weeks on Monday evenings)

Location: Lake Forest City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.)

Sign your child up for a free and interactive academy designed to bring safety skills training and awareness techniques to K-6 grade students. The academy will cover topics such as assertiveness training, avoiding common tricks and lures, bully prevention, and self-defense. Space is limited and class is restricted to new students only. Register [online](#) or in person at Lake Forest City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.) or at the Sports Park and Recreation Center (28000 Rancho Pkwy.).



Don't Make It Easy: Summer Home Safety

If you're planning to travel this summer on that exciting vacation make sure you take a few simple steps to protect your home and property. Take a look at this "How to" video on crime prevention so you can learn how to keep your property safe when you are away from home.



Lake Forest Crime Prevention - How to Lake Forest

"Hidden Gems of Lake Forest" Calendar Contest

Submission Deadline: Friday, October 16

The City invites you to showcase the "Hidden Gems of Lake Forest" in the annual community calendar contest. Show us the beauty of Lake Forest - whether it is a gorgeous hiking trail, beautiful locale, or a stunning vista of the City. Winning photos will be featured in the 2018 "Hidden Gems of Lake Forest" community calendar. Photos must be landscape orientation, in digital form (JPEG), and can be submitted via [Ask Lake Forest](#) or emailed to shunter@lakeforestca.gov. For more information and submission rules, visit www.lakeforestca.gov/communitycontests.



Calendar Contest

Pool Safely with These Drowning Prevention Awareness Community Contests

Summer is Drowning Prevention Awareness season and community members are asked to join in the commitment to help prevent accidents at the pool and beach. Summer is Drowning Prevention Awareness season and community members are asked to join in the commitment to help prevent accidents at the pool and beach. Here are a few activities underway:



Pool Safely Community Tips Contest

As part of the "Drowning Prevention" campaign, the Pool Safely Community Tips contest collects water safety tips from the community to be featured in the September/October edition of The Leaflet. Help spread your water safety tips throughout the

community and send them to shunter@lakeforestca.gov by August 4. Three winners will be randomly selected to receive a water safety prize!

ABCs of Water Safety Challenge

Do you know the ABCs of water safety? What about the proper water barriers to install at your pool? Take this social media trivia challenge and submit your answers each week online on our Facebook page from August 1 to September 6 for a chance to win one of three water safety prizes! Every answer counts as an entry! Winners will be notified on Friday, September 8.

Community Meeting: Shot Hole Borer Beetle Impacts

Tuesday, July 11

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Location: Lake Forest Sports Park (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

The City would like to invite community members, homeowner association representatives and board members to participate in a meeting to discuss the growing threat of the Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer Beetle. For more information, please contact Mike McConaha at (949) 461-3575.



Lake Forest Businesses are Encouraged to Submit Deals and Discounts for 2017 "Shop & Dine" Lake Forest Week

Submission Deadline: Wednesday, July 12

The 7th annual Shop & Dine Lake Forest Week is September 17-24 and will feature the 6th annual Taste of Lake Forest! Businesses are encouraged to submit their coupon specials online before Wednesday, July 12 to be featured in the Coupon Booklet, mailed to over 31,000 Lake Forest addresses. Participation is FREE for Lake Forest businesses! Visit Shop and Dine for more information.



Shop & Dine Lake Forest

Participate in the Taste of Lake Forest as Part of Shop & Dine Week

Restaurants are invited to participate in the 6th Annual Taste of Lake Forest taking place on Sunday, September 24 from noon to 4:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for restaurants to promote their unique cuisine at a community event that attracts over 3,000 attendees. Space is limited to the first 30 restaurants to submit their participation application online. For more information, email economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov.

"Notify Me" - A Service for Email Notifications

If you want to stay up-to-date on news around the City, bid or proposal opportunities, City Council and Commission agenda postings, special events around town, or road construction projects, sign

up through the City's [Notify Me](#) service. Subscribers can elect to receive alerts via email, text message (SMS), or both.

Eat for a Good Cause at Cucas and Support the Lake Forest Adopted Marines

Wednesday, July 26 and Thursday, July 27

11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Cucas Mexican Food (26676 Portola Pkwy.)

Bring this flyer to Cucas Mexican Food to support the Lake Forest U.S.M.C. 1st Law Enforcement Battalion where 15% of food sales will go to support the Marines and their families.



School Supply Donations Requested for the Children of the Lake Forest Adopted Marines

The U.S.M.C. Support Committee has initiated a donation drive to collect school supplies (e.g. notebooks, backpacks) for the children of the Lake Forest Marines. Donations can be dropped off in a Collection bin at City Hall (1st floor reception - 25550 Commercentre Drive) and in the lobbies of the Beach & Tennis Club (LF I HOA) and the Sun & Sail Club (LF II HOA) by Thursday, August 10. The most "desired" item is a backpack! Every donation counts! If you have any questions, email lfusmcccommittee@cox.net.

Donate

Play a Round of Golf with a Marine at Camp Pendleton

The Battalion and the Support Committee will be holding a Golf Tournament at the Camp Pendleton Marine Memorial Golf Course on Friday, July 28. This is a PGA Championship rated course, designed by William P. "Billy" Bell. For more information, and to participate, please visit lfusmcccommittee.org

Senior Scene Clubhouse Offers Extended Hours for Seniors to Stay Cool

During the summer months, the Senior Scene Clubhouse will remain open until 4:00 p.m. to provide relief to the senior community on days when the weather is over 90 degrees. Decisions to extend the clubhouse hours will be made by 1:00 p.m. on the affected day.

Brush Up Your Home with the Neighborhood Paint Program

Application Deadline: Thursday, August 24 by 4:00 p.m.

As part of the City's Neighborhood Pride Paint Program, qualified homeowners interested in giving their homes a fresh coat of paint may submit an application packet to City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.). Visit the City's [website](#) for program requirements and to download an application packet.



UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month. The public session starts at 7:00 p.m. Full agendas and City Council Previews providing an overview of each agenda item can be accessed [here](#).

- Tuesday, July 11, 2017*
- Wednesday, July 18, 2017
- Tuesday, August 1, 2017
- Tuesday, August 15, 2017

*City Council rescheduled the July 5 meeting to July 11. This special meeting will begin at 5:30 pm instead of the regularly scheduled 7:00 pm start time.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES FOR JULY 2017

To Register: Visit [Lake Forest Recreation](#), mail or hand-deliver the Lake Forest Activities Registration Form to City Hall (25550 Commercentre Drive) or to the Lake Forest Recreation Center (28000 Rancho Parkway). For more information, call 461-3450 or 273-6960.

Movies in the Park "The LEGO Batman Movie" (PG)

Friday, July 7

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Location: Lake Forest Sports Park (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Pre-movie fun begins at 6:00 p.m.



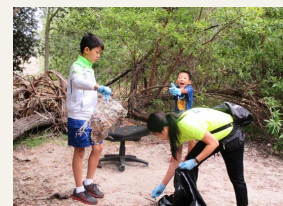
Riverbed Cleanup

Saturday, July 8

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location: Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest (20028 Lake Forest Dr.)

You can do your part to help out the environment and keep your local Skatepark clean by donating your time to cleaning up the adjacent trails and riverbed to the Skatepark. Volunteers will receive a free lunch, drink, and a raffle ticket for some great prizes. For more information and to get involved, contact etniesskatepark@lakeforestca.gov.



Special Needs Dance for Teens and Adults - Fun with Stars & Stripes

Saturday, July 8

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Location: Lake Forest City Hall (25550 Commercentre Dr.)

Show your patriotic side at this FREE summer dance with your friends. Dance the night away to music hosted by our favorite DJ, enjoy refreshments, and win summer-themed prizes. Dress in red, white, and blue to receive a special giveaway! For more info contact: mnorment@lakeforestca.gov or call (949) 461-3447.



Advisory Committee for Teens (A.C.T.)

Thursday, July 13, and Thursday, July 27

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Lake Forest Recreation Center (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Help make a difference by planning activities and excursions, volunteering at City events, and serving as a voice in your community. The committee meets twice a month and interested teens must have gone through registration and an interview to attend. For more information, call 273-6975 or email [Monique Villasenor](mailto:Monique.Villasenor).

Movies in the Park "Finding Dory" (PG)

Friday, July 21

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Location: Lake Forest Sports Park (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Pre-movie fun begins at 6:00 p.m.



Family Movie Night at the Skatepark

Saturday, July 22

8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Location: Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest (20028 Lake Forest Dr.)

Fee: Free (nominal fee for food)

Come down for a movie night on the big screen at the Skatepark! Seating is first come, first served on the grass hill.



Harrah's Rincon Resort and Casino

Wednesday, July 26

9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Location: Lake Forest Community Center (25550 Commercentre Dr.)

Fee: \$10 per person

Try your hand to win big at Harrah's Casino, take your pick from over 1700 reel slots, video slots, and video poker to 68 table games! Participants will receive a \$10 credit on their Harrah's gaming card.



"Friday Fever"

Friday, July 28

6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Location: Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest (20028 Lake Forest Dr.)

Fee: \$5 donation per person

Grab your friends and celebrate the last Friday of every month with live music, skate movies, contests, games, prizes, and pizza at Etnies Skatepark.

Etnies AM Skateboard Contest

Saturday, July 29

Noon - 10:00 p.m.

Location: Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest (20028 Lake Forest Dr.)

Fee: \$20 entry fee



The Etnies AM is a premiere skateboard contest that will attract skaters from all around the world. For more information, visit the Etnies Skatepark Website.

Summer Concert Series "80s Flashback Tribute"

Sunday, July 30

5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Location: Pittsford Park (21701 Pittsford Dr.)



Join us for three excellent performances guaranteed to make you dance all night long! "Flashpants" is a Vegas-Style 80s cover band that combines 80s Dance music with audience interaction. "Boombox Heroes" is a high energy cover band specializing in the party and rock hits of the 80s. Lastly, "Pyromania" offers a unique 80s rock experience with their stunning cover of The Def Leppard, a rock band that has sold over 100 million albums worldwide.

CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

June 6, 2017

[AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR SENIOR TAXI TRANSPORTATION SERVICES \(Agenda Item No. 14\)](#)

The City Council continued its commitment to Senior Transportation assistance by approving a three year contract with California Yellow Cab to provide senior discounted taxi service 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Seniors typically use the taxi service for traveling to medical appointments, shopping for groceries, picking up prescriptions, or visiting family members. Vouchers for the program can be purchased at City Hall with costs ranging from \$1.00 for a trip to the Senior Clubhouse up to \$7.00 for a ride to either Kaiser or Hoag Hospital in Irvine or Mission Hospital in Mission Viejo. The program is funded through a partnership with the Orange County Transportation Authority, using the City's share of Measure M2 sales tax dollars. The contract is valued at \$128,000 for three years, and was approved unanimously by the City Council.

[AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ORANGE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES \(Agenda Item No. 16\)](#)

Since incorporation, the Orange County Sheriff's Department ("OCSD") has provided Police Services for the City of Lake Forest via contract. In Fiscal Year 2016-17, the Orange County Sheriff's Department ("OCSD") continued various law enforcement efforts, leveraged volunteer resources, and provided community education to promote public safety. The Sheriff's Team of Active Retired Seniors ("STARS") provided thousands of hours of community services to both the Sheriff's Department and the City. In addition, the OCSD also continued offering residents the GET SAFE program. In 2016, Part I Crime Rates decreased by 16.3% compared to the previous year, resulting in the 3rd lowest crime rate among OCSD contract cities. The contract for Fiscal Year 2017-18 is for \$16,134,298, an increase of \$1,264,577, or 8.5% from the previous year. However, this increase includes the addition of one Community Services Officer ("CSO")/Parking Control Officer to assist with parking enforcement and provide additional support in high traffic areas. The City Council unanimously approved the agreement.

[ZONING CODE AMENDMENT NO. ZC 01-17-4998 RELATING TO TRANSITORY-LODGING AND HOME OCCUPATIONS \(Agenda Item No. 17\)](#)

Throughout California, residential communities have become concerned about the adverse secondary effects on neighborhoods associated with temporary or short-term housing uses. Such impacts may include excessive noise, traffic, and parking impacts. The Lake Forest Municipal Code ("LFMC") prohibits transitory uses in residential districts. Such uses are not listed as expressly allowed and thus are prohibited. The proposed Zoning Code amendment does provide a "limited home rental" exemption, however, which allows that a homeowner may rent his or her primary residence) for "up to three periods of fewer than 30 consecutive days in a calendar year". This ensures that property owners may still rent out their home while they are away for a short period of time on a limited basis each year. The ordinance also clarifies the rules for people operating home based businesses, limiting the number of customers or clients that can be on site at any given time, and limiting the amount of square footage a homeowner can use for the business to 20% of the total floor area. After hearing the staff presentation and receiving public input, the City Council voted unanimously to introduce the Ordinance for first reading. The Ordinance will now be heard a second time and if adopted, will go into effect 30 days later.

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[REQUEST TO ISSUE NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FOCUSED ON VETERANS \(Agenda Item No. 15\)](#)

Following up on their commitment to veterans, the City Council directed staff to prepare and distribute a Notice of Funding Availability ("NOFA") focused on affordable housing for veterans. As outlined in the NOFA, interested affordable housing non-profit organizations and/or for-profit developers are encouraged to complete a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) outlining proposed projects and the organization's experience with affordable housing projects. Statements of Qualifications are due to the City by Wednesday, July 19, 2017.

In total, the NOFA indicates \$3.7 million in available funds. The available funding sources are the Lake Forest Housing Authority's Low/Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund (comprised of former Redevelopment Agency assets) and the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund, comprised of Developer In-Lieu Fees.

[ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 OPERATING BUDGET \(Agenda Item No. 18\)](#)

The City's fiscal strong fiscal health was reflected in the City Council's unanimous approval of the Fiscal Year 2017-18 operating budget. The City's General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-18 consists of revenues of \$46.9 million, expenditures of \$46.3 million, and net transfers of \$0.1 million resulting in a \$0.6 million surplus. The City's General Fund pays for day to day operations, the Capital Fund pays for construction of major projects, like the new Lake Forest Civic Center, while the Vehicle Replacement Fund is our savings account for cars and trucks used by City employees in the performance of their jobs, and the Reserve Fund is our emergency savings in the event of an economic crisis or other major disaster. Available General Fund beginning balances at June 30, 2017, are estimated to be \$22.7 million. Other available beginning balances at June 30, 2017 include; Special Revenue Funds \$2.9 million, Capital Funds \$73.3 million, Reserves \$24.4 million, and the Vehicle Replacement Fund \$0.5 million for a grand total of all funds beginning balances of \$123.8 million.

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